



DIGEST OF CURRENT ECONOMIC STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA MAY 1981

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

The Digest contains the latest available figures at the time of issue for a selection of monthly and quarterly series. Where possible, series are shown both in their original and seasonally adjusted form.

Seasonal adjustment

2. Measures of variability and details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting Bureau statistics are given in Appendixes C and B, respectively, of *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, Australia* (1308.0). This annual publication also contains historical original and seasonally adjusted data in tabular and graphical form of a selection of the statistics appearing in the Bureau's monthly and quarterly publications.

3. As well as being adjusted for normal seasonal factors, some of the statistical series included in the Digest have been adjusted for the effects of calendar variations, namely, 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in a month) and the influence of movable holidays, such as Easter and Australia Day.

4. Most of the original and seasonally adjusted series are preliminary and subject to revision.

Related publications

5. More detailed information is available in the *Monthly Summary of Statistics, Australia* (1304.0) (\$2.35). Publications from which the series in the Digest are derived are listed on page 8.

6. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0) which is available free of charge from any ABS office.

Symbols and other usages

- nil or rounded to zero
- not applicable
- r figure or series revised since previous issue
- p preliminary—figure or series subject to revision
- n.a. not available
- n.y.a. not yet available
- break in continuity of series (where drawn between two consecutive figures in the same column)

7. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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PRODUCTION

Month	Black coal '000 tonnes		Iron ore (a) '000 tonnes	Lead (b) '000 tonnes	Electricity mil. kWh		Gas (c) mil. megajoules		Raw steel '000 tonnes		Cement '000 tonnes		Motor vehicles (d) '000		Electric motors under 720 W '000	
	Original	Seas. adj.			Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1979-80—																
March	7,202	7,065		35.6	7,824	8,098	24,503	27,357	628	613	449	441	33.6	31.9	283	273
April	5,311	6,042		36.4	7,524	8,079	25,905	27,587	529	564	448	451	26.8	29.0	248	278
May	8,209	5,480	24,188		8,279	7,898	30,605	29,235	488	466	481	451	35.7	30.6	267	293
June	8,174	7,871		35.2	8,707	8,029	34,984	29,883	576	602	457	455	29.8	29.5	284	288
1980-81—																
July	6,637	6,491		31.7	9,486	8,185	37,060	29,478	736	744	495	460	35.5	32.1	330	298
August	5,004	5,464	25,707	32.5	8,973	8,048	34,502	28,767	685	698	502	484	29.6	29.1	321	297
September	8,612	7,707		32.1	8,231	8,048	31,793	29,371	614	602	443	426	33.0	28.7	351	293
October	10,127	8,360		30.9	8,206	8,153	29,275	28,705	629	601	479	457	35.1	29.0	393	327
November	8,818	8,136	24,060	33.1	7,927	8,540	27,939	30,718	635	688	512	487	32.0	29.4	346	294
December	6,649	8,077		31.0	7,999	8,585	25,248	29,197	653	626	448	471	28.4	32.0	316	304
January	6,249	8,664		22.5	7,834	8,610	27,897	35,036	728	671	312	451	12.8	39.0	117	285
February	8,751	8,437	n.y.a.	23.8	7,521	8,479	27,424	33,625	634	675	447	450	32.2	32.3	291	313
March	9,327	8,728		23.1	r8,284	r8,572	r32,684	r34,271	691	669	523	508	32.4	29.7	r313	r294
April	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		n.y.a.	r7,999	r8,563	r32,045	r34,373	678	732	538	541	r29.4	31.2	285	318
May	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		n.y.a.	8,523	8,183	37,209	35,433	675	653	576	546	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	292	325

(a) Gross mine output

(b) Metallic contents of mine products

(c) Available for issue through mains; includes natural gas

(d) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state

PRODUCTION—continued

STOCKS (a)

Month	Cotton woven cloth (excl. towelling) '000 sq m		Woolen and worsted woven cloth (excl. blanketing) '000 sq m		Man-made fibre-cloth '000 sq m	Meat '000 tonnes		Price index manufac- turing division(b)	Whole milk intake by factories (c) mil. litres		Brokers and dealers receipts of washable wool		Book value at end of quarter \$m	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Total receipts tonnes	% of total received by brokers (d)	Original	Seas. adj.
1979-80—														
March	3,207	3,385	900	825	12,216	168	156	285.4	336	428	37,910	69.6		
April	2,900	3,421	775	779	10,629	205	221	286.0	237	376	38,372	73.7		
May	3,509	3,120	673	732	13,158	201	194	287.2	210	419	30,388	73.6	26,089	26,071
June	3,543	3,230	513	610	13,311	167	171	289.2	220	455	23,544	68.8	(126,315)	(126,297)
1980-81—														
July	4,599	4,133	839	757	14,278	208	209	292.6	302	459	41,010	74.9		
August	3,769	3,154	683	703	13,026	197	195	296.5	452	471	72,055	(c)80.7	27,639	27,543
September	3,715	3,364	771	734	13,057	214	205	299.3	588	448	102,447	82.4		
October	4,338	3,520	1,032	848	13,724	233	214	300.4	688	433	103,574	80.7		
November	3,509	3,325	997	874	12,047	182	195	302.0	661	437	79,198	79.0	r28,197	r28,301
December	2,966	3,589	775	780	9,719	182	195	304.2	609	420	58,234	76.4		
January	1,447	3,160	516	1,045	4,333	168	179	305.9	492	411	34,264	81.3		
February	3,703	3,986	957	862	11,463	174	309.1	379	415	35,103	76.3	p28,564	p28,580	
March	r3,830	r4,042	895	767	r12,767	r168	310.8	335	422	44,012	75.9			
April	r3,939	r4,653	r682	r713	11,411	r205	r221	312.5	264	423	42,336	77.5		
May	3,800	3,367	677	754	13,012	201	194	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		

(a) Owned by private enterprises in Australia. See publication 5629 0. (b) This index is on a "net division" basis and relates to concept only to articles which are produced in the Manufacturing Division of ASIC (Division of Capital Sale or transfer outside the Division or for use as capital equipment). (c) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation. (d) Members of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. (e) The National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia has increased its membership from August 1980 resulting in an increase in the percentage of the total wool received by Brokers. (f) Comparability differences due to sample revision. See September Quarter issue of 5629 0 for further details of this revision.

OVERSEAS TRANSACTIONS

Month	Value of total exports \$m	Value of total imports \$m	Value of merchandise at average 1974-75 prices(a) \$m		Export price index (b) All groups 1974-75 = 100	Balance on current account \$m	Net apparent capital inflow \$m	Official reserve assets (c) \$m
			Exports	Imports				
			Seas. adj.	Seas. adj.				
1979-80—								
April	1,617	1,277			183	102	21	5,225
May	1,537	1,473	2,800	2,082	182	280	544	5,271
June	1,803	1,394			179	59	78	5,681
1980-81—								
July	1,681	1,592			180	263	201	5,933
August	1,489	1,463	2,608	2,286	182	396	183	5,533
September	1,403	1,617			184	517	329	5,718
October	1,671	1,734			185	574	1,027	6,094
November	1,599	1,325	2,560	2,272	185	147	270	5,981
December	1,588	1,536			185	193		5,430
January	1,670	1,406			186	251	544	5,586
February	1,578	1,613	2,661	2,236	186	442	395	5,172
March	1,474	1,595			185	223	766	5,153
April	1,666	1,705			186	431	982	5,762
May	1,747	1,624			n.y.a.	372	566	5,858

(a) Replaces estimates at average 1986-67 prices. See publication 54210. (b) Introduced in July 1979. For further details see July 1979 issue of publication 64050. (c) Gold is valued at the average London gold price for the month converted to \$A at the market rate of exchange applying on the last day of the month.

INTERNAL TRADE

Month	Retail sales(a)								New motor cars and station wagons registered ('000)		Other new motor vehicles registered(d) ('000)		Installment credit for retail sales, finance companies and other businesses, balances outstanding(e) \$m
	All items except motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc (b) \$m		Food and drink(b) \$m		Clothing, hardware, electrical and furniture(c) \$m		Other(b)(c) \$m		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.					
1979-80—													
April	2,399	2,495							36.3	35.7	9.3	9.6	3,020
May	2,666	2,527	3,668	3,743	2,541	2,516	1,255	1,342	37.7	35.2	10.8	10.0	3,018
June	2,399	2,572							36.5	36.9	11.1	10.0	3,011
1980-81—													
July	2,552	2,645							43.2	37.7	11.9	10.1	3,007
August	2,552	2,637	3,814	3,919	2,549	2,637	1,331	1,402	39.3	38.2	10.0	10.4	3,005
September	2,591	2,693							37.5	37.9	10.0	10.4	3,001
October	2,735	2,653							40.2	38.4	10.7	10.1	3,017
November	2,747	2,728	4,327	4,027	3,207	2,738	1,699	1,429	36.4	38.3	9.6	10.2	3,028
December	3,751	2,792							39.9	40.8	10.0	10.1	3,027
January	2,630	2,782							31.8	38.1	9.3	11.6	3,073
February	2,470	2,796	p4,027	p4,158	p2,427	p2,838	p1,350	p1,462	35.8	38.9	10.8	11.7	3,089
March	2,682	2,849							38.7	37.7	12.4	12.3	3,106
April	2,716	2,807							37.2	36.8	11.7	11.9	3,119
May	n.y.a.	n.y.a.							p39.6	p38.6	11.9	11.4	n.y.a.

(a) Based on the 1973-74 census of retail establishments. (b) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (c) Other, excludes motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (d) Comprises light commercial type vehicles, trucks, other truck type vehicles and buses. (e) During the period, amounts financed to new agreements made were: February \$147m, March \$156m, April \$152m.

WAGES, OVERTIME, AND RETAIL PRICES

Month	Average weekly earnings per employed male unit \$		Weekly wage rates index, adult males (b) 1954 = 100	Average weekly overtime hours per employee (c)	Consumer price index, six State capitals, 1966-67 = 100.0 unless otherwise noted (a)								
	Original	Seas. adj.			All groups	Food (d)	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care (e)	Recreation (f)
1979-80	F	T											
April			628.3	1.4		291.4							
May	257.90	258.60	629.2	1.4	298.4	296.2	303.7	324.5	253.4	310.1	307.9	348.8	136.2
June			629.3	1.3		298.9							
1980-81													
July			656.7	1.4		300.3							
Aug.	270.40	270.20	657.2	1.4	304.0	302.5	307.2	333.1	262.2	311.3	314.3	354.7	138.5
September			659.2	1.4		304.4							
October			661.0	1.4		307.4							
November	289.70	278.10	661.2	1.5	310.3	310.5	314.1	341.7	267.8	317.1	317.2	358.9	140.6
December			661.3	1.6		314.4							
January			664.9	1.2		317.8							
February	270.70	284.00	664.9	1.4	317.7	316.2	317.5	348.9	275.3	328.7	324.0	364.7	144.5
March			665.3	1.5		316.8							
April			665.6	1.4		317.7							
May			n.s.a.	1.5		320.6							

(a) The composition of the group structure of the Index has been altered with the introduction, from December quarter 1976, of the ninth Consumer Price Index series. (b) Weighted average. Includes rural. (c) Results of sample surveys of government employers and private payroll taxpayers conducted by the ABS as at the third Friday of the month shown. For further notes relating to these estimates see 630.0. (d) Quarterly series may be derived by averaging the three monthly figures. However, in some cases, quarterly index numbers so derived differ slightly from the quarterly figure as published in *Consumer Price Index* publications due to rounding. (e) Base: December quarter 1968 = 100.0. (f) Base: September quarter 1976 = 100.0.

BUILDING AND NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Month	Building approvals \$m		Building approvals dwellings (000 units)		Government building approved \$m	Building commenced total (a) \$m		Dwellings commenced (a) (000 units)		Price indexes		New fixed capital expenditure by private enterprises (\$m)			
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Materials used in house building(b)	Materials used in build- ing other than house building(c)	New buildings and structures		Other new capital equipment	
												Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1979-80															
April	659.0	657.8	12.7	12.8	73.9					317.2	104.4				
May	730.4	664.0	13.1	12.4	119.9	2,129.1	2,039.7	34.1	32.9	320.0	104.8	697.3	674.0	2,001.1	1,807.1
June	771.1	692.5	13.1	12.2	103.3					325.2	106.6				
1980-81															
July	760.9	711.1	13.2	12.1	73.6					329.9	106.1				
August	762.4	830.6	12.8	13.6	101.0	2,479.0	n.s.a.	38.4	37.0	334.4	104.7	755.0	756.6	7,125.9	7,201.7
September	767.3	717.0	13.0	12.4	123.0					337.2	110.5				
October	821.7	766.0	14.1	13.2	73.6					338.5	111.0				
November	770.8	767.7	13.1	12.9	107.2	n.s.a.	n.s.a.	34.5	36.7	339.6	111.4	924.5	804.3	2,377.1	2,254.9
December	763.7	707.4	12.5	12.7	112.3					340.6	111.8				
January	675.2	706.5	10.4	14.1	95.8					343.0	112.9				
February	714.1	806.6	11.6	13.0	94.9	n.s.a.	n.s.a.	n.s.a.	n.s.a.	348.1	114.2	841.2	1,027.6	2,028.5	2,324.0
March	875.6	836.1	14.3	13.0	101					351.2	115.2				
April	828.2	848.6	13.1	11.5	99.0					352.0	115.0				
May	n.s.a.	n.s.a.	n.s.a.	n.s.a.	n.s.a.					358.1	116.7				

As the ABS has recently implemented a new system for collecting, compiling and publishing building activity statistics. For further details of the changes to 'Building commenced' data, see September Quarter 1980 (Advance Release) issue of 8705.0, released on 1 May 1981. For further details of the changes to 'Dwellings commenced' data, see statement (issued under Catalogue number 750.0) entitled *Changes to Published Building Activity Statistics*, which was released on 12 December 1980. (b) Weighted average of State capital cities, 1966-67 = 100.0. (c) The previous index, calculated on reference base 1968-67 = 100.0, has been replaced by a revised index calculated on reference base 1979-80 = 100.0. For further details of this revision, see February 1981 issue of 6401.0.

FINANCE

Month	Savings banks depositors balances (c)		Major trading banks (b)				Finance companies balances outstanding (d) \$m	Housing finance for owner occupation value of loans approved (a)			Common- wealth bond yield short dated (f) per cent	Listed companies new money raised \$m	Taxation revenue Commonwealth and State consolidated revenue funds \$m		
	\$m		Deposits \$m		Advances \$m			Permanent building societies \$m							
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Banks \$m	Permanent building societies \$m	Other lenders (e) \$m					
1970-80															
April	20,845	21,178	23,087	22,326	17,280	17,271	18,802	345	214	98	11.40			3,967	2,757
May	20,846	21,130	22,436	22,950	17,613	17,516	19,000	334	244	111	11.54			3,711	3,667
June	21,261	21,270	22,680	23,519	17,514	17,620	19,259	295	209	104	11.50			2,800	2,711
1980-81															
July	21,351	21,344	23,010	23,966	17,864	17,833	19,604	332	252	108	11.34			2,767	2,841
August	21,592	21,518	23,278	24,205	17,901	17,938	19,889	305	232	109	11.50	608.3		2,861	2,865
September	21,771	21,663	23,630	24,264	17,811	17,775	20,175	302	262	106	11.50			2,187	2,941
October	22,098	21,888	24,288	24,411	18,273	17,915	20,483	358	263	130	11.58			2,487	3,005
November	22,210	22,180	24,555	24,617	18,356	18,083	20,951	317	248	125	12.42	1,204.0		3,050	3,020
December	22,699	22,621	25,127	24,570	18,638	18,434	21,313	327	229	121	12.85			2,513	3,189
January	22,705	22,623	25,292	24,611	18,606	18,753	21,562	320	197	99	13.10			2,841	3,216
February	22,959	22,837	25,564	24,520	18,595	19,022	21,816	359	181	119	13.12		n.s.a.	3,056	3,056
March	22,833	22,960	26,147	25,034	18,802	19,134	22,093	374	189	139	13.10			3,252	3,539
April	22,552	22,913	26,219	25,356	19,457	19,449	22,449	375	158	129	13.15			4,767	3,377
May	n.s.a.	n.s.a.	25,806	26,401	19,851	19,740	n.s.a.	n.s.a.	n.s.a.	n.s.a.	13.10			n.s.a.	n.s.a.

(a) Includes loans for alterations and additions. (b) Includes external territories. (c) Excludes external territories. (d) Amounts shown relate to all types of finance agreements and provide a broad overall measure of finance company activity. For further details see the monthly publication 50/4.0. (e) Includes term-mortgage building societies, finance companies, credit unions, insurance companies and government instrumentalities. (f) This series was previously based on rebate bonds which were issued prior to 1 November 1968. Income on these bonds was subject to income tax at current rates less a rebate of 10 cents in each dollar of Australian Government loan interest included in taxable income. The series is now based on non-rebate bonds.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS (\$m)

Quarter	Final consumption expenditure														Gross fixed capital expenditure			
	Gross domestic product		Gross farm product		Gross non-farm product		Private		Government		Private		Public					
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.				
AT CURRENT PRICES																		
1979-80—																		
December	30,894	28,029	3,374	1,929	27,520	26,100	17,865	16,939	4,705	4,534	4,113	3,907	2,333	2,260				
March	27,858	29,005	1,668	1,820	26,190	27,185	16,975	17,662	4,502	4,767	3,715	4,109	2,076	2,368				
June	28,416	29,878	1,002	1,861	27,414	28,017	17,925	18,015	5,082	4,914	4,570	4,338	2,699	2,287				
1980-81—																		
September	30,849	31,044	1,598	1,873	29,251	29,171	18,484	18,649	5,031	5,111	4,913	4,975	2,208	2,416				
December	35,793	32,366	3,225	1,829	32,568	30,537	20,401	19,303	5,805	5,602	5,221	4,951	2,583	2,502				
March	31,200	33,099	1,293	1,567	29,907	31,532	18,944	19,825	5,249	5,547	4,906	5,439	2,225	2,535				
AT AVERAGE 1974-75 PRICES																		
1979-80—																		
December	19,600	17,419	2,374	1,140	17,226	16,279	10,773	10,201	3,004	2,902	2,468	2,344	1,418	1,373				
March	16,645	17,409	1,024	1,132	15,621	16,277	9,932	10,344	2,791	2,959	2,153	2,381	1,206	1,372				
June	16,454	17,580	411	1,121	16,043	16,459	10,275	10,323	3,100	2,980	2,579	2,452	1,533	1,303				
1980-81—																		
September	17,632	17,805	756	1,039	16,876	16,766	10,356	10,449	2,957	3,014	2,700	2,729	1,212	1,325				
December	20,237	18,029	1,949	967	18,288	17,062	11,254	10,631	3,275	3,165	2,814	2,669	1,389	1,346				
March	17,079	18,166	853	984	16,226	17,182	10,187	10,676	2,984	3,158	2,589	2,871	1,167	1,324				
AT CURRENT PRICES (continued)																		
Quarter	Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises																	
	Imports of goods and services		Exports of goods and services		Companies				Other		Wages, salaries and supplements		Income of farm-unincorporated enterprises	Other household income	Less direct taxes, etc. (a)	Household disposable income		
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.						
1979-80—																		
December	4,962	4,983	5,595	5,431	3,725	3,182	8,238	6,332	15,640	15,128	2,658	8,015	3,487		22,825			
March	5,328	5,266	5,517	5,616	2,822	3,259	5,859	6,295	15,333	15,703	1,014	6,880	4,289		18,938			
June	5,173	5,260	5,502	5,443	3,469	3,628	5,280	6,543	16,009	16,183	351	8,488	6,262		18,586			
1980-81—																		
September	5,824	5,794	5,315	5,453	3,592	3,576	6,571	6,634	16,962	16,975	937	7,693	3,523		22,070			
December	5,877	5,877	5,660	5,477	4,702	4,078	8,615	6,704	18,472	17,470	2,445	9,194	4,039		26,073			
March	5,999	5,926	5,337	5,428	3,638	4,112	7,090	6,695	17,322	18,243	574	7,612	5,019		20,489			

(a) Direct taxes deducted are those paid by persons to general government. These include income tax, land and estate and gift duties, all other direct taxes, fees for service of a regulatory character and fines and gifts paid. Also deducted here are consumer debt interest and transfers to overseas.

CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a) ('000)												UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (b) ('000)			JOB VACANCIES (c'000)
Month	Males		Females		Persons		Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work	Total		Survey estimates (d)			
	Original	Seas. adj.(c)	Original	Seas. adj.(c)	Original	Seas. adj.(c)	Males	Females		Males	Females		Persons		
1979-80 --															
April	4,156.6	n.a.	2,440.0	n.a.	6,596.5	n.a.	192.9	146.3	65.3	206.9	197.5	404.5			
May	4,201.1	4,193.6	2,450.3	2,443.5	6,651.4	6,637.5	201.0	141.6	71.0	219.9	193.7	413.6	29.8		
June	4,179.2	n.a.	2,459.6	n.a.	6,638.8	n.a.	193.1	144.7	68.3	208.9	197.1	406.1			
1980-81 --															
July	4,189.5	n.a.	2,475.9	n.a.	6,665.4	n.a.	190.0	134.8	60.6	205.3	180.0	385.4			
August	4,180.0	4,200.3	2,459.0	2,468.1	6,639.0	6,668.0	193.3	139.4	59.7	209.1	183.2	392.3	30.1		
September	4,221.1	n.a.	2,509.7	n.a.	6,730.8	n.a.	197.9	137.6	70.0	211.1	194.4	405.5			
October	4,195.6	n.a.	2,466.1	n.a.	6,661.7	n.a.	180.1	127.0	68.6	194.8	180.9	375.7			
November	4,189.6	4,211.4	2,476.0	2,478.4	6,665.5	6,693.5	171.4	131.1	54.3	182.8	174.1	357.0	34.3		
December	4,306.7	n.a.	2,514.9	n.a.	6,821.5	n.a.	206.1	151.2	74.6	226.2	205.8	432.0			
January	4,251.6	n.a.	2,397.8	n.a.	6,649.4	n.a.	218.2	158.7	53.4	233.9	196.5	430.4			
February	4,271.4	4,236.8	2,473.4	2,461.9	6,744.8	6,696.6	203.6	154.7	65.8	220.0	204.1	424.1	r33.5		
March	4,278.9	n.a.	2,521.0	n.a.	6,799.9	n.a.	185.8	144.9	79.2	203.2	206.6	409.9			
April	4,256.2	n.a.	2,509.2	n.a.	6,765.4	n.a.	r171.7	r134.8	r69.5	r187.9	r188.1	r376.0			
May	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	175.9	132.1	67.3	193.6	181.7	375.4	35.7		

(a) Civilian aged 15 years and over. The labour force is the sum of the employed and the unemployed.

(b) Labour force survey estimates. Suspension of seasonally adjusted unemployment estimates is explained in the November 1977 issue of 6203.0.

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